

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

**Call to Order:** Chair Kirk Wagoner, on March 22, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

##### **Members Present:**

Rep. Kirk Wagoner, Chair (R)  
Rep. Jessica Karjala, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Dennis R. Lenz, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)  
Rep. Ellie Hill Smith (D)  
Rep. Kathy Kelker (D)  
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)  
Rep. Matt Regier (R)  
Rep. Walt Sales (R)  
Rep. Barry Usher (R)  
Rep. Tom Welch (R)

##### **Members Excused:**

Rep. Bill Harris (R)  
Rep. Tom Jacobson (D)  
Rep. Forrest Mandeville (R)  
Rep. Vince Ricci (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch  
Carolyn Tschida, Committee Secretary

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

##### **Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 589, 3/15/2017; HB 590, 3/15/2017; HB 572, 3/7/2017;  
SB 233, 3/7/2017

**HEARING ON SB 233****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:26 Sen. Mary Caferro (D), SD 41, opened the hearing on SB 233, Revise DPHHS rulemaking on medicaid services for youth in foster care.

00:04:05 Rep. Ricci joined the meeting

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:05:16 Rev. Kendra Wilde, Montana Association of Christians

00:06:44 Karen Davis, Foster Parent

00:08:33 Beth Brennenman, Disability Rights Montana

00:09:19 Jani McCall, Intermountain; Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch (YBGR); Family Support Network

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:11:34 Duane Preshinger, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

00:12:02 Rep. Jacobson joined the meeting

**Informational Testimony:** None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:12:43 Rep. Kelker

00:13:25 Duane Preshinger, DPHHS

00:14:02 Rep. Kelker

00:14:27 Rebecca de Camara, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

00:15:55 Rep. Kelker

00:15:59 Rep. Hill Smith left the meeting

00:16:08 Rebecca de Camara, DPHHS

00:16:31 Rep. Dunwell

00:16:43 Rep. Sales left the meeting

00:16:58 Duane Preshinger, DPHHS

00:17:38 Rep. Dunwell

00:18:16 Sen. Caferro

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:20:33 Sen. Caferro

00:23:49 Recess

00:31:40 Reconvene

**HEARING ON HB 572****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:31:49 Rep. Alan Redfield (R), HD 59, opened the hearing on HB 572, Establish licensure of eating disorder centers.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:33:51 Jeni Gochin, Eating Disorder Center of Montana (EDCMT)  
00:34:13 Rep. Hill Smith joined the meeting  
00:38:25 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Association of Marriage and Family Therapists;  
Montana Association of Naturopathic Physicians (MANP)

**EXHIBIT(huh59a01)**

00:40:13 Laurie Thutcher, Mental Health Professional  
00:42:57 Rep. Lori Bishop  
00:44:26 Dr. Eric Arzubi, Big Sky Regional Council of Child Psychiatry  
00:45:29 Matt Kuntz, NAMI

**Opponents' Testimony:** None**Informational Testimony:** None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:47:06 Rep. Karjala  
00:47:30 Dr. Eric Arzubi, Big Sky Regional Council of Child Psychiatry

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:50:12 Rep. Redfield  
  
00:50:41 Recess  
00:59:05 Reconvene

**HEARING ON HB 589****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:59:21 Rep. Dennis Lenz (R), HD 53, opened the hearing on HB 589, Require DPHHS to monitor factors related to children's mental health outcomes.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:02:13 Matt Kuntz, NAMI  
01:03:57 Jani McCall, Intermountain; Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch (YBGR)  
01:06:39 Rep. Sales joined the meeting  
01:09:24 Rev. Kendra Wilde, Montana Association of Christians  
01:10:17 Dr. Eric Arzubi, Big Sky Regional Council of Child Psychiatry  
01:11:26 Beth Brennenman, Disability Rights Montana

**Opponents' Testimony:**

01:12:27 Rebecca de Camara, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)  
01:16:22 Adrienne Cotton, Department of Corrections

**Informational Testimony:** None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:17:21 Rep. Ricci  
01:17:54 Rebecca de Camara, DPHHS

01:18:34 Rep. Kelker  
01:19:16 Rep. Pierson left the meeting  
01:19:55 Jani McCall, Intermountain; YBGR  
01:20:41 Rep. Regier  
01:20:53 Rep. Lenz  
01:21:34 Rep. Welch  
01:22:01 Rep. Lenz  
01:23:01 Rep. Dunwell  
01:23:38 Director Sheila Hogan, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)  
01:24:43 Rep. Dunwell  
01:25:00 Sheila Hogan, DPHHS  
01:26:38 Rep. Usher  
01:27:22 Adrienne Cotton, Department of Corrections  
01:28:06 Rep. Usher  
01:28:20 Adrienne Cotton, Department of Corrections  
01:28:49 Rep. Usher  
01:30:03 Rebecca de Camara, DPHHS  
01:30:16 Rep. Karjala  
01:31:24 Jani McCall, Intermountain; YBGR  
01:34:23 Rep. Karjala  
01:34:47 Jani McCall, Intermountain; YBGR  
01:35:56 Chair Wagoner  
01:36:47 Rebecca de Camara, DPHHS  
01:37:21 Chair Wagoner  
01:37:52 Sheila Hogan, DPHHS

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:38:13 Rep. Lenz  
  
01:42:09 Recess  
01:50:12 Reconvene

**HEARING ON HB 590****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:50:18 Rep. Jessica Karjala (D), HD 48, opened the hearing on HB 590, Generally revise suicide prevention laws and grants for youth suicide prevention.  
  
01:51:24 Rep. Harris joined the meeting  
01:52:39 Rep. Jacobson joined the meeting

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:53:32 Jessica Rhoades, Office of the Governor  
**EXHIBIT(huh59a02)**

01:54:56 Director Sheila Hogan, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)  
**EXHIBIT(huh59a03)**

01:57:24 Lenette Kosovich, Rimrock Foundation  
 01:58:01 Dennis Parman, Montana Rural Education Association  
 02:00:09 Kevin Howlett, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT)  
 02:02:58 Loren Bird Rattler, Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Reservation  
 02:05:58 Dr. Eric Arzubi, Big Sky Regional Council of Child Psychiatry  
 02:09:08 Colleen Rahn, NAMI  
 02:09:49 Mona Jamison, Shodair Children's Hospital  
 02:12:08 Erin McGowan, Montana Public Health Association (MPHA); Association of  
 Montana Public Health Officials (AMPHO)  
 02:13:29 Jani McCall, Intermountain; Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch (YBGR)  
 02:14:37 Greg Dorrington, Montana Medical Association (MMA)  
 02:16:40 Jim Ahrens, Montana Advocates for Children  
 02:17:37 Stacey Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association  
 02:18:43 Beth Brenneman, Disability Rights Montana

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:19:15 Rep. Usher  
 02:20:18 Jani McCall, Intermountain; YBGR  
 02:21:48 Rep. Usher  
 02:22:01 Jani McCall, Intermountain; YBGR  
 02:22:30 Rep. Dunwell  
 02:22:45 Mona Jamison, Shodair Children's Hospital  
 02:23:15 Rep. Dunwell  
 02:23:29 Mona Jamison, Shodair Children's Hospital  
 02:24:46 Rep. Dunwell  
 02:25:11 Rep. Karjala  
 02:26:35 Rep. Dunwell  
 02:27:04 Jani McCall, Intermountain; YBGR  
 02:28:36 Rep. Dunwell  
 02:28:43 Dr. Eric Arzubi, Big Sky Regional Council of Child Psychiatry  
 02:30:34 Rep. Mandeville joined the meeting  
 02:31:44 Chair Wagoner  
 02:32:23 Rep. Karjala  
 02:33:25 Rep. Lenz  
 02:35:04 Rep. Karjala  
 02:35:29 Rep. Regier left the meeting  
 02:35:51 Rep. Lenz  
 02:36:14 Jessica Rhoades, Office of the Governor  
 02:38:23 Rep. Lenz  
 02:38:58 Jessica Rhoades, Office of the Governor  
 02:39:18 Rep. Sales  
 02:40:11 Rep. Karjala  
 02:40:31 Rep. Sales  
 02:41:06 Mona Jamison, Shodair Children's Hospital  
 02:41:43 Rep. Sales  
 02:42:00 Loren Bird Rattler, Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Reservation

02:42:32 Rep. Harris  
02:43:21 Jessica Rhoades, Office of the Governor  
02:43:30 Rep. Harris  
02:44:02 Sheila Hogan, DPHHS  
02:46:31 Rep. Usher  
02:46:46 Rep. Jacobson left the meeting  
02:47:01 Rep. Karjala  
02:47:42 Rep. Usher  
02:48:45 Dr. Arzubi, Big Sky Regional Council of Child Psychiatry  
02:51:01 Rep. Usher

**Closing by Sponsor:**

02:51:28 Rep. Karjala

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 02:57:02

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Carolyn Tschida, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([huh59aad.pdf](#))